

## MONSTER CELEBRATION PLANNED BY GERMANS

Will Commemorate First  
Landing of Countrymen.

### AMUSEMENTS IN PROFUSION

Fair to Be Held in Convention Hall Dur-  
ing Thanksgiving Week—In-  
teresting Features.

The official celebration of German Day by the United German Societies of the District of Columbia will take place during Thanksgiving week. The program has been prepared by a committee especially appointed for that purpose, and the celebration promises to be of much interest.

It is the purpose of the United German Societies to commemorate the 23rd anniversary of the landing of the first German colonists in America.

#### A German Town.

A fair will be held in Convention Hall and arrangements for this feature of the week will embrace many things of historic interest. A medieval German town, said to be complete in detail and historically correct, will form the scene in the "Old Germany" festival, which is to be held in the hall, and the entire proceeds of the fair are to be devoted to charitable purposes. The festival, which is to be held in the hall, and the entire proceeds of the fair are to be devoted to charitable purposes. The festival, which is to be held in the hall, and the entire proceeds of the fair are to be devoted to charitable purposes.

The celebration was planned by Kurt Voelckner, president of the United German Societies, and by the late Paul Heilmann. The architectural designs of the festival, which is to be held in the hall, and the entire proceeds of the fair are to be devoted to charitable purposes. The festival, which is to be held in the hall, and the entire proceeds of the fair are to be devoted to charitable purposes.

#### Stage and Dancing Green.

Almost one-quarter of the hall will be devoted to a dancing green, with its quaint gabled houses. The interior will be a beer garden, with a stage on which Tyrolean singers will give their glories and vieds. A reproduction of the famous "Wurst-gioeckl" of Nuremberg will be shown. One corner of the hall will be set apart as a dancing green, with its quaint gabled houses. The interior will be a beer garden, with a stage on which Tyrolean singers will give their glories and vieds.

A German windmill will turn its sails, but instead of the conventional miller, an old witch will occupy the mill room and tell fortunes to bashful youths and blushing maidens. A bowling alley will invite visitors to try their luck at winning live geese, ducks or turkeys, which are to be offered as prizes. There will also be a "midway" with a gypsy camp as one of its attractions.

#### Turners Will Be There.

From the stage at the southern end of the hall speeches will be made on the opening night of the festival. On the other evening the stage will be used for various forms of entertainment, including a monkey theater, cycle whirl, exhibition of Washington Turners and musical selections by Washington and Baltimore singing societies.

A Christmas tree, forty feet in height, will occupy the center of the hall, and will be illuminated by 500 electric lights. President Roosevelt will open the festival by lighting the tree from the White House, where a circuit closing key will be placed for that purpose.

#### Orphans to Have Treat.

On Tuesday afternoon, November 24, the children of the orphan asylums and homes of Washington will be admitted free of charge, if accompanied by teachers of the schools. Special attractions will be provided for the entertainment of the little ones. Other features which have not yet been planned and which will form the special attraction of each evening will be announced later.

#### President Roosevelt will receive the members of the United German Societies of the District of Columbia at the White House on Thursday, November 19, at 2:30 p. m.

### IMPLEMENT DEALERS TO FIGHT BOLL WEEVIL

DALLAS, Tex., Nov. 14.—The agricultural implement dealers of Dallas held a meeting to devise ways and means to combat the boll weevil in the cotton-growing industry.

It was decided to promote the general planting of early maturing seeds and to organize a warehouse company in Dallas to bring in and store large quantities of seeds from other States, to be sold to farmers at the actual cost of first purchase plus freight to Dallas.

### HOWARD CASE CALLED FOR TRIAL TOMORROW

George Howard, a negro, will be called to trial tomorrow morning in Criminal Court No. 1 for the murder of Buck Alston, also a negro, on July 15 last. According to the story of the trouble between the two men, they quarreled over some trifling matter. Words led to blows, and Howard, it is said, threw several bricks at Alston.

The first brick thrown struck Alston in the stomach, and the next one on his head. As a result of the wound Alston died a day or two after. Howard was arrested immediately after the fight, and has been in the District Jail ever since, awaiting trial.

### GIVING AWAY A TRADE SECRET.

The catch of cod on the Newfoundland banks is decreasing every year, yet the amount of "boneless" cod sent out from Gloucester increases very rapidly. This apparent paradox is explained by the fact that "boneless" cod is not prepared from codfish, but from a flounder. The pollock averages of greater weight than the cod, and its flesh is whiter and sweeter. What's in a name, anyway?—Toledo Blade.

### ANXIOUS TO DIE.

UNION, S. C., Nov. 14.—Brown Rodger, a negro, was hanged here today for the murder of Rodger Fant, a young white man last April. He asked that he be executed to be carried out ahead of the "four appointed," and he was hanged two hours before the time set.

## RUSSIA TAKES MUKDEN TO BLOCK AMERICANS

Curious Explanation of Recent Event  
Given by Russian Newspaper  
"Sviet"—Reply to Demonstration.

ODESSA, Nov. 14.—The "Sviet" declares that Russia has reoccupied Mukden because the United States Government intended to utilize the place as a base of military operations, and so compel China to fulfill the terms of the convention between the Chinese and United States governments. The "Sviet" says the reoccupation of Mukden by Russia was a justified and unequivocal reply to the United States' naval demonstration in the Far East. The "Novik" makes a similar explanation.

LONDON, Nov. 14.—The "Daily Mail" says that the Russian government has recommended Yuan Shi Kai, governor of the province, to confer directly with Viceroy Alexieff on the Manchurian question. The result has been unfavorable to China. Military supplies are being hurried north, and factories are working day and night. The correspondent adds that the Japanese minister has had a secret conference with Prince Ching and Director of Commerce Chang Chi Tung.

PARIS, Nov. 14.—Official advices show there is a distinct improvement in the Russo-Japanese situation. It is understood that the recent prolongation of the war was due to forwarding reports of negotiations for the personal inspection of the czar.

## A REIGN OF TERROR IN THE CAUCASUS

Organized Robber Bands Deal Out Death  
to Those Who Refuse Their  
Demands.

LONDON, Nov. 14.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the "London Times" reports that an epidemic of crime is prevalent in the Caucasus, and that the authorities seem unable to keep the lawless classes under control.

The sole topic of conversation among passengers on the Vladikavkas Railway, he says, is murder and plunder. Let an inoffensive native, armed with any sort of a weapon, enter a train or a railway station and a veritable panic ensues among the occupants. Not a member of the upper class considers himself secure.

The robbers usually write the victim a letter, in which they demand the payment of a certain sum of money in consideration of which they guarantee him immunity from attack. If the amount is not paid on the stipulated date, the victim receives a miniature coffin, containing a dagger. If this does not have the effect desired, actual murder follows. Several Englishmen who declined to be blackmailed were recently murdered at Chassav-Jurtz, and the British government has demanded that the murderers be run down and punished.

## PRESIDENT ACTS ON TWO PARDON CASES

He Refuses to Interfere in One and  
Promptly Commutes the Second.

President Roosevelt has denied the application for pardon of Delgado Crafon, convicted in the Supreme Court of the District for embezzlement and sentenced October 1902 to imprisonment for two years. Crafon was employed in the Medical School of Georgetown University as a clerk. He embezzled money belonging to the school. Later he was arrested in Buffalo and returned to this city. He restored the money and strong influence was brought to bear to have him pardoned.

President Roosevelt and Attorney General Knox took the view that all mitigating circumstances had been given sufficient weight by Judge Pritchard in trying the case, and that the sentence of two years was moderate.

The President has commuted the sentence of Sherburne C. Van Rassel to expire November 15. He was confined in the southern district of New York for embezzling \$2,000 in postoffice funds while employed as money order clerk in New York city. June 26, 1899, he was sentenced to Sing Sing for eight years. He has served over four years of his time.

## MISS COFFIN RETURNS A NERVOUS WRECK

EAST ORANGE, N. J., Nov. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Coffin, with their daughter Clara, who disappeared mysteriously on election day, returned here today.

Mr. Coffin declares that his daughter is a nervous wreck and he will not let her see any one for at least a week. The mystery surrounding her disappearance, he said, is still unsolved.

### MARVELS OF MEMORY

The newspapers are telling of the remarkable fact of a postal clerk who, in a civil service examination, did not make a single error in properly sorting 42,000 test postal cards, each representing a postoffice in a certain territory assigned. This was done at the rate of 334 cards a minute.

"Far more noteworthy," thinks "American Medicine," "is the memory of an expert piano player, who will play an entire season's concerts without a note of printed music before him. His memory is so perfect that hundreds of thousands of notes must be at the order and instant disposal of his will. And this is combined with a multiplicity of synchronous recollections of time, tempo, expression, etc. The mystery is at present past the hinting of any explanation, and this fact is as beautiful as it is appalling. It shows us how far we are from any real science of psychology."

### VILLAGE IN A VOLCANO.

A little Japanese village some thirty miles from the town of Kumamoto is situated in the center of a volcano, which many some day become active. The village, lying 900 feet below the top of the volcano, the walls of which are very steep, in quite hidden. Its 2,000 inhabitants seldom leave this place.

## CORPORATION COUNSEL ON HEGARTY CLAIM

Advises Against Payment of "Docket  
Fee" Under Section 1109 of  
the District Code.

"The District Commissioners received yesterday from Corporation Counsel Duvall an opinion relative to a recent communication of H. A. Hegarty, calling attention to his claim for 'docket fee' in the case of the United States vs. Robert West.

Mr. Hegarty and Mr. McDonough were assigned by the justice holding a criminal court of the District Supreme Court to defend West, who had been indicted for housebreaking with intent to steal. The jury returned a verdict of guilty as indicted, and Messrs. Hegarty and McDonough carried the case to the Court of Appeals, where the judgment of the Supreme Court was reversed, the verdict set aside, and a new trial granted. There was no second trial, but in January, 1902, the United States Attorney entered a nolle prosequi. The docket of the courts shows no taxation of costs 'chatter.

The claim is that section 1109 of the code for the District provides a fee for such a case, and the application to the Commissioners is for them to secure an appropriation to meet this claim and claims of like character.

### LESTER WARD SPEAKS ON "DRESDEN CYCAD"

Lester F. Ward delivered an address on the "Dresden Cycad" before a meeting of the Washington Biological Society in the Cosmos Club last night. At the conclusion, of Mr. Ward's talk, F. A. Lucas described the making of a whale. This interesting lecture was illustrated with lantern slides. Preceding the regular meeting of the society, the council met and transacted some business matters. The usual exhibition of specimens was made by the members of the society before lectures were delivered.

### CONGRESS ELECTION CLOSE.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Nov. 14.—On the face of the returns, with the greater part of Owens county unreported, W. Godfrey Hunter, of Cumberland county, former Representative from the Third district, and ex-minister to Guatemala, has a majority of fifteen votes.



## 21c for Covered Self-Basting Turkey Roaster.

Special Price for Tomorrow Only

Roasting Pans, 9x12, \$1.00; 11x13, \$1.25; 13x15, \$1.50; 15x17, \$1.75; 17x19, \$2.00; 19x21, \$2.25; 21x23, \$2.50; 23x25, \$2.75; 25x27, \$3.00; 27x29, \$3.25; 29x31, \$3.50; 31x33, \$3.75; 33x35, \$4.00; 35x37, \$4.25; 37x39, \$4.50; 39x41, \$4.75; 41x43, \$5.00; 43x45, \$5.25; 45x47, \$5.50; 47x49, \$5.75; 49x51, \$6.00; 51x53, \$6.25; 53x55, \$6.50; 55x57, \$6.75; 57x59, \$7.00; 59x61, \$7.25; 61x63, \$7.50; 63x65, \$7.75; 65x67, \$8.00; 67x69, \$8.25; 69x71, \$8.50; 71x73, \$8.75; 73x75, \$9.00; 75x77, \$9.25; 77x79, \$9.50; 79x81, \$9.75; 81x83, \$10.00; 83x85, \$10.25; 85x87, \$10.50; 87x89, \$10.75; 89x91, \$11.00; 91x93, \$11.25; 93x95, \$11.50; 95x97, \$11.75; 97x99, \$12.00; 99x101, \$12.25; 101x103, \$12.50; 103x105, \$12.75; 105x107, \$13.00; 107x109, \$13.25; 109x111, \$13.50; 111x113, \$13.75; 113x115, \$14.00; 115x117, \$14.25; 117x119, \$14.50; 119x121, \$14.75; 121x123, \$15.00; 123x125, \$15.25; 125x127, \$15.50; 127x129, \$15.75; 129x131, \$16.00; 131x133, \$16.25; 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